

## Message Text

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O 071345Z JUN 77  
FM AMEMBASSY MOSCOW  
TO SECSTATE WASHDC IMMEDIATE 8317

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E.O. 11652: N/A  
TAGS: CASC (REIBER, FRED)  
SUBJECT: URGENT MESSAGE FOR FRED REIBER

REF: STATE 130046

1. MR FRED REIBER COULD NOT BE NOTIFIED OF HIS MOTHER'S DEATH. EMBASSY WAS UNABLE TO LOCATE MR REIBER IN KIEV OR MOSCOW, SINCE INTOURIST CONSISTENTLY GAVE EMBASSY INCORRECT INFORMATION RE MR REIBER'S LOCATION.

2. FYI: EMBASSY WAS CALLED SUNDAY AFTERNOON BY MS SUSAN CLARK, REQUESTING THAT MR REIBER BE NOTIFIED. EMBASSY REQUESTED KAP CONTACT REIBERS AT HOTEL LIBED IN KIEV. HOTEL ADMINISTRATOR INFORMED KAP THAT REIBERS WERE NOT REGISTERED THERE. KAP CONTINUED SEARCH REST OF SUNDAY WITHOUT SUCCESS. EMBASSY CALLED MOSCOW INTOURIST OFFICE EARLY MONDAY, WHICH REPORTED THAT MR REIBER WOULD BE ARRIVING MOSCOW ON AEROFLOT FLIGHT 1768 AT 1719 HOURS EVENING JUNE 6 AND WOULD BE STAYING AT HOTEL ROSSIYA. EMBASSY CONTACTED ADMINISTRATOR OF HOTEL ROSSIYA LATE THAT AFTERNOON TO REQUEST MR REIBER'S TELEPHONE NUMBER BUT HE HAD NOT YET CHECKED IN. ADMINISTRATOR OFFERED TO PASS MR REIBER MESSAGE TO CALL THE EMBASSY. AT 2000 HOURS AND 2200 HOURS, CONOFF CALLED HOTEL ROSSIYA WHERE ADMINISTRATOR ASSURED HER THAT SHE WOULD HAVE MR REIBER CALL CONSOFF AT HOME AS SOON AS HE CHECKED IN. CONSOFF RECEIVED NO CALL. ON JUNE 7 AT 0900 CONSOFF  
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AGAIN CALLED HOTEL ROSSIYA ONLY TO LEARN THAT MR REIBER HAD NOT CHECKED IN. CONSOFF CALLED INTOURIST, WHICH CALLED EMBASSY AT 1120 AM TO REPORT THAT MR REIBER WAS DEPARTING MOSCOW ON AEROFLOT FLIGHT 317 AT 11:25 AM. INTOURIST SAID IT WOULD MAKE A LAST-MINUTE EFFORT TO HAVE MR REIBER CALL THE EMBASSY, BUT THIS DID NOT MATERIALIZE AND THE EMBASSY BELIEVES HE DEPARTED ON SCHEDULE.

3. THE EMBASSY OFTEN ENCOUNTERS SIMILAR PROBLEMS, SINCE THE AMERICAN RELATIVE TRYING TO CONTACT THE TOURIST GIVES INCOMPLETE ITINERARY INFORMTION, SUPPLIES NO NAME OF THE TOURIST GROUP, AND WHAT IS MOST ESSENTIAL, DOES NOT KNOW THE TOUR NUMBER WHICH THE US TRAVEL AGENCY SUPPLY TO THE TOURIST WITH THEIR VOUCHERS. THE ABOVE INFORMTION IS THE MOST ESSENTIAL TO LOCATING A TOURIST, AND WITHOUT IT, THERE ARE LONG AND UPSETTING DELAYS. IN THIS CASE MS CLARK SUPPLIED THE EMBASSY WITH DETAILED ITINERARY INFORMATION AND NAME OF TOUR GROUP, WHICH HELPED EMBASSY AT LEAST TO FIND OUT REIBERS' FLIGHT DATA. BECAUSE WE DIDN'T HAVE NAME OF US TRAVEL AGENCY AND TOUR NUMBER, HOWEVER, INTOURIST COULD NOT LOCATE MR REIBER ON A TIMELY BASIS. EMBASSY REGRETS TRAGIC INCONVENIENCES.

4. SENATOR MORGAN INTERESTED.  
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